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Trump signs tax reform

Calls spur-of-moment Oval Office ceremony for bill; lawmakers absent

By Laurie Kellman and Jonathan Lemire
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In the end, Donald Trump's top achievement as president — a $1.5 trillion tax overhaul — was finalized in a "rush job" of an affair. And that was OK with him.

None of the members of Congress who muscled through the biggest tax overhaul in 30 years were in the Oval Office on Friday as Trump signed the measure into law. That's because the president was not pleased with news coverage in the morning questioning whether he would get the bill signed before Christmas.

So he ordered up a spur-of-the-moment signing event where he ticked through the "tremendous" accomplishments of his first year in office.

"This is the capper," Trump said of the tax package, using his last moments of the year in the White House to sign the bill before flying to Florida for the holidays. He also signed a temporary spending bill to keep the government running and provide money to upgrade the

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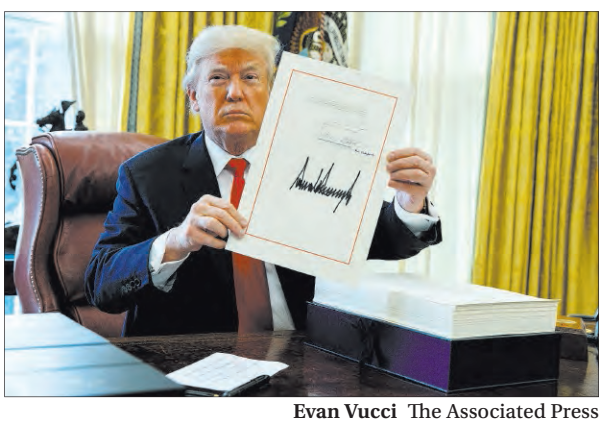

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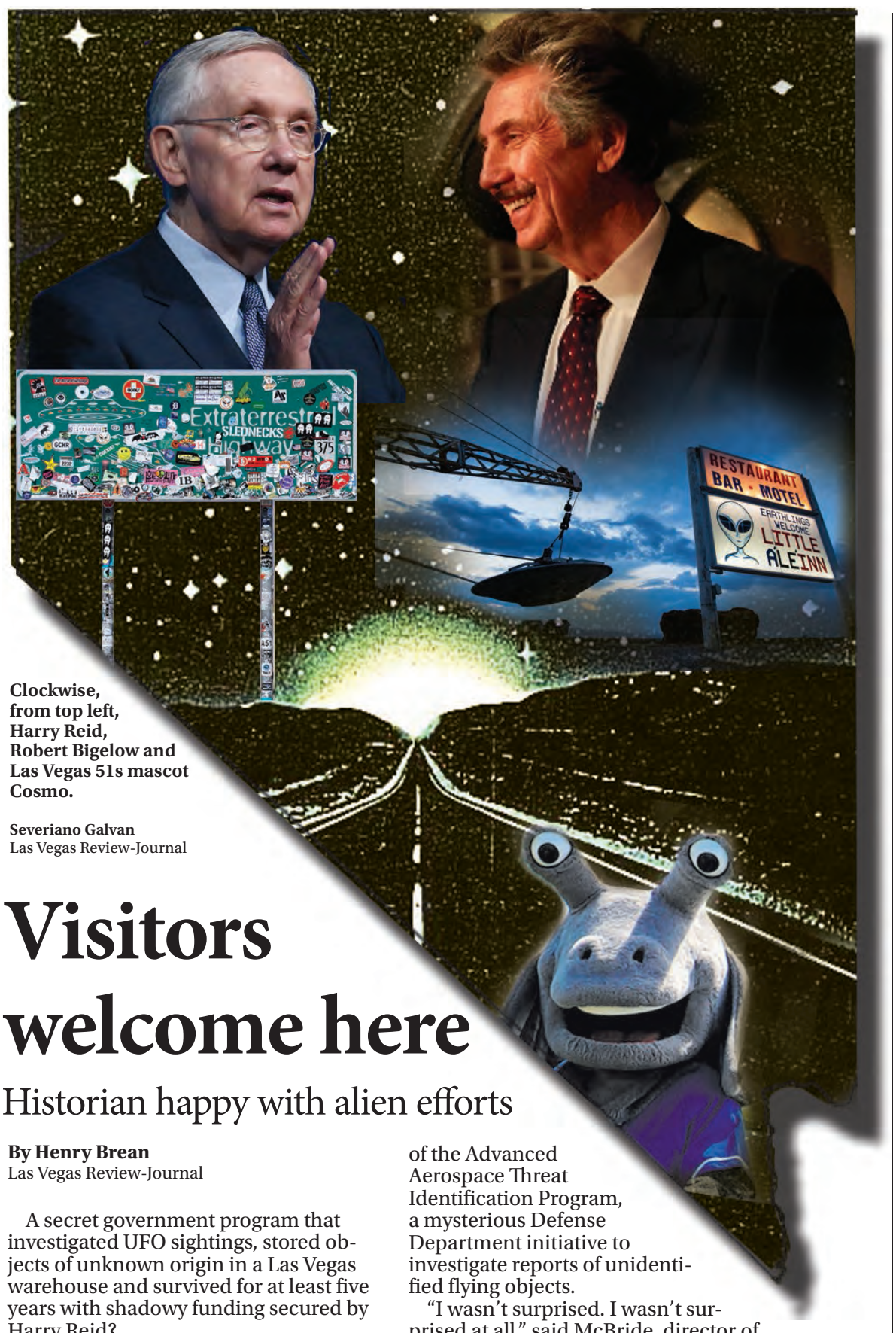
President Donald Trump shows off the tax bill after signing it Friday in the Oval Office.



Clockwise, from top left, Harry Reid, Robert Bigelow and Las Vegas 51s mascot Cosmo.

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Visitors welcome here

Historian happy with alien efforts

By Henry Brean
Las Vegas Review-Journal

A secret government program that investigated UFO sightings, stored objects of unknown origin in a Las Vegas warehouse and survived for at least five years with shadowy funding secured by Harry Reid?

Sounds about right to Dennis McBride.

The Nevada historian and author could only shrug when he read the New York Times' bizarre Dec. 16 account of the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program, a mysterious Defense Department initiative to investigate reports of unidentified flying objects.

"I wasn't surprised. I wasn't surprised at all," said McBride, director of the Nevada State Museum in Las Vegas. "I'm sure that there's all sorts of things going on we don't know about because

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On Hill, to-do list will be a mountain

Congress out, saves plenty for new year

By Gary Martin
Review-Journal Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Lawmakers dashed out of town Friday for the holidays, but they face mounting financial issues, a budget showdown, an immigration bill and measures to shore up public health care exchanges when Congress returns in early January.

Republicans left after passing a sweeping tax-cut bill that overhauls the tax code

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> **Paul Ryan**
> House Speaker, R-Wis.

for the first time in 30 years, gives breaks to corporations, businesses and individuals and heaps a projected $1.5 trillion in additional obligations on the deficit. President Donald Trump signed the bill into law Friday.

"Christmas is coming early for the American people," said House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis.

Sen. Dean Heller, R-Nev., called the tax bill a "once-in-a-generation" opportunity to "give hardworking

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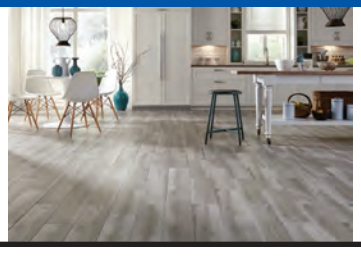
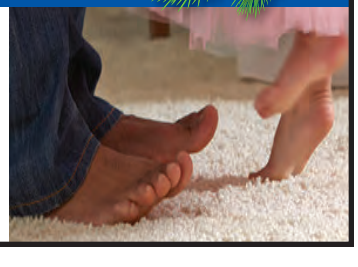
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